

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Takashi Ikemoto et al.) Group Art Unit: 1795
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Application No.: 10/584,306) Examiner: Empress A. Etheridge
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Filed: June 23, 2006)
) Confirmation No.: 9018
For: Microporous Membrane Made)
From Polyolefin)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In a restriction requirement dated June 4, 2009, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between Group I - Claims 1-4 and Group II - Claims 5-8. Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Group I, Claims 1-4 drawn to a polyolefin microporous membrane.

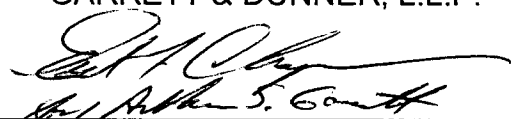
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Respectfully submitted,

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